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TAGS: GATT, ETRD, IN

SUBJECT: INDIA REQUEST FOR WAIVER TO INTRODUCE NEW TARIFF

REF: GENEVA 651

1. DRAFT TEXT OF WAIVER THUS FAR STANDS AS ANTICIPATED REFTEL
EXCEPT THAT EXPIRATION DATE IS DECEMBER 31, 1977. INDIA
MISSION (SANDILYA) POINTS OUT THAT INDONESIA WAIVER UNDER
SIMILAR CIRCUMSTANCES WAS FOR 25 MONTHS AND THUS REQUESTS U.S.
LOOK FAVORABLY ON END-'77 EXPIRATION RATHER THAN MID-'77 THAT
WE RECOMMENDED IN REFTEL. (SEE BISD TWENTIETH SUPPLEMENT,
PAGES 28-29, FOR INDONESIA WAIVER.) INDIA NOTES THEY WILL
HAVE ADDED BURDEN OF MTN WORK RUNNING PARALLEL TO THIS MAJOR
TASK. SUGGEST WE BE AUTHORIZED GO ALONG WITH END-'77 DATE
AT FEBRUARY 17 COUNCIL.

2. SANDILYA REPORTS NEW DELHI FEELS IT EXTREMELY UNLIKELY
THAT THIS ART. XXVIII NEGOTIATION WOULD AFFECT ITEMS
NEGOTIATED UNDER EITHER THE MOST RECENT OR INDEED ANY
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EARLIER ART. XXVIII NEGOTIATIONS. GOI COULD STATE THIS

OFFICIALLY EXCEPT THAT TECHNICALLY PARLIAMENT COULD MAKE
SOME CHANGES ON MARCH 1; IT IS NOT EXPECTED PARLIAMENT
WILL DO SO. (NOTE: EVEN IF THEY SHOULD, IT WOULD MAKE
LITTLE DIFFERENCE FROM THE STANDPOINT OF THE WAIVER.
THE CONCEPT OF RECIPROCITY IN THIS WAIVER TEXT WOULD
STILL MAKE THE WAIVER NO WORSE THAN THE ONE BRAZIL GOT
ON 1975.) BRUNGART

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